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- 1. Since June 1951 new mail and censorship regulations regarding foreign mail were posted in each post office throughout Rumania. These regulations stated that "Due to the number of complaints being made to postal authorities, regarding mail forwarded to and received from foreign countries, the Minister of Communications has decreed that all such mail will be accepted by the postal authorities, and will only be turned over to receiving individuals upon proper personal identification and signature."
- 2. Immediately after these regulations were posted all individuals sending mail to foreign countries were forced to present the mail personally, to identify themselves, furnish their address and identity card number, and sign a registry book.
- 3. Foreign mail arriving into Rumania is delivered to the receiver by the postman, who must get the receiver's name, address, identity card number, and personal signature before giving up the mail
- 4. In case the receiver is not found at home, the postman leaves a notice of mail arrival, which instructs the receiver where to apply and how to receive his mail. Whenever the receiver applies for his mail he is forced to go through the identical procedures already mentioned above before receiving mail.
- 5. As a result of the regulations, the inhabitants of Rumania forwarding mail to fereign countries, became very careful in forming the text of their letters, and reduced their correspondence to a minimum.

